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SUBJ: HOSPITALS-MEDICORP REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION

REF: (A) STATE 167674 (B) TEHRAN 5023

1. EMBOFF CALLED ON UNDERSECRETARY ASSAR TO DISCUSS CLARIFICATION REQUESTED REF A. "PHASE I LETTER AGREEMENT" MENTIONED IN ASSAR'S TELEX REFERS TO ORIGINAL LETTER OF INTENT UNDER WHICH MEDICORP PERFORMED SERVICES DURING SUMMER 1975. MEDICORP HAS NOT YET BEEN PAID FOR THESE SERVICES, AND MINISTRY INTENDS TO PAY IN FULL WHEN PROJECT IS COMPLETED TO SATISFACTIN OF MINISTRY. ACCORDING ASSAR, PROJECT IS ALMOST COMPLETE EXCEPT FOR SOME ADDITIONAL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS INCLUDING DETAILED DRAWINGS AND DETAILED SPECIFICATIONS.

2. ASSAR REQUESTS MEDICORP TO REFER TO ITS LETTER DATED MAY 11, 1976, SIGNED BY ALLAN MILLER FOR ADDITIONAL CLARIFICATION. SPECIFICALLY MEDICORP SHOULD REVIEW LAST PARAGRAPH, PAGE 1 OF LETTER; THIRD PARA, PAGE2; AND LAST PARA, PAGE 3.

3. MINISTRY INTENDS TO SEPARATE EXISTING LETTER OF INTENT FROM NEW VUSINESS OF HOSPITAL CONSTRUCTION. CONSTRUCTION MUST BE PERFORMED IN COMPLIANCE WITH BASE PRICES ESTABLISHED BY PLAN AND BUDGET ORGANIZATION(REF B). PLAN ORGANIZATION HAS COMPILED TWO VOLUMES(IN FARSI) OF BASE PRICES WHICH ARE BROKEN DOWN INTO SUCH CATEGORIES AS MAXIMUM GOI WILL PAY FOR 1 CUBIC METER OF LAID CEMENT, ETC. CEILING PRICE FOR A COMPLETE HOSPITAL MUST BE PIECED TOGETHER FROM PERHAPS 1000 BASE PRICE CATEGORIES, AND ASSAR WILL ASSIST VISITING

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MEDICORP REPS IN MAKING CALCULATIONS. FYI: EMBASSY HAS

DISCUSSED BASE PRICE LEVELS WITH LOCAL U.S. CONTRACTORS WHO ARE OF OPINION THAT LEVELS ESTABLISHED BY PLAN ORGANIZATION ARE TOO LOW TO PERMIT U.S. AND EUROPEAN CONTRACTORS TO UNDERTAKE MAJOR PROJECTS UNLESS VARIOUS EXCEPTIONS WOULD BE PERMITTED END FYI.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE PASS ABOVE TO MEDICORP SOONEST. MEDICORP PLANS TELEPHONE CALL AT 1700 TEHRAN TIME ON JULY 13 AND SHOULD HAVE ABOVE INFORMATION IN HAND PRIOR TO TELEPHONE CONVERSATION.
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